Joint Meeting Minutes

Hyde County Board of Commissioners
and
Hyde County Board of Education

Monday, February 4, 2019

Following a reception and introduction of Hyde County Board of Education Superintendent Stephen Basnight, Commissioner Swindell moved to open the joint meeting of the Hyde County Board of Commissioners and Board of Education on Monday, February 4, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. Commissioner Pahl seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pugh, Pahl, Swindell and Topping; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – Simmons.

The following county members were present on the mainland: Chairman Earl Pugh, Jr.; Vice-chairman Tom Pahl; Commissioners Shannon Swindell and James Topping; County Manager Kris Cahoon Noble; Attorney Franz Holscher; Clerk to the Board Lois Stotesherry and members of the public. Commissioner Ben Simmons was absent. Teresa Adams and members of the public were present on Ocracoke.

The following Board of Education members were present on the mainland: Chairman Randy Etheridge, Vice-Chair Thomas Whitaker, Aleta Cox and Lindsey Mooney; Finance Officer Ken Chilcoat; and Teacher Julio Morales. Board member Angela Todd was present on Ocracoke.

IT Director/Deputy Clerk Donnie Shumate ran the electronic conferencing equipment on the Mainland and Teresa Adams ran the electronic conferencing equipment on Ocracoke.

Consideration of Agenda:
Commissioner Swindell moved to approve the Monday, February 4, 2019 Joint Meeting Agenda as presented by the Clerk. Commissioner Pahl seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pugh, Pahl, Swindell and Topping; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – Simmons.

Introduction:
Hyde County Schools Superintendent Stephen Basnight was introduced and began the meeting by distributing copies of “Mindset – The New Psychology of Success” by Carol S. Dweck, Ph.D. Mr. Basnight plans to adopt this mindset in the school system and recommends everyone read the book. County Manager Kris Cahoon Noble distributed Hyde County pins and cutting boards.

Presentations:
School Resource Officer
Manager Noble reported FY2019-2020 budget discussions begin next month. The need for a School Resource Officer (SRO) will be included in budget discussion.

Superintendent Basnight discussed the importance of a School Resource Officer on campus. Mr. Basnight and Sheriff Guire Cahoon discussed the increased presence of deputies on school campuses this year and SRO options to consider for next school year.

Public Safety Career Day/Career Technical Pathways
Dale Cole, Director of Instructional Programs, CTE and Assessments for Hyde County Schools, presented the Career and Technical Education (CTE) Program in Hyde County. Mr. Cole discussed programs and projects available to students and the Hyde County Schools partnership with Beaufort County Community College (BCCC). He reported options to offer the CTE programs at Ocracoke School are being evaluated.

Opioid Task Force Update
Luana Gibbs, Health Director, discussed the new Behavioral Health Program – Telepsychiatry, offered through ECU.

Caroline Gurganus, Substance Awareness Coordinator, discussed programs that have been implemented to address the Opioid Crisis in Hyde County such as Naloxone, prescription take back, and the needle exchange program.

Adjourn
Commissioner Swindell moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Pahl seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pugh, Pahl, Swindell and Topping; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – Simmons.

The meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Minutes approved on the 4th day of March, 2019.

Attest:

Lois Stotesberry, CMC, NCCCC
Clerk, Hyde County Board of Commissioners

Earl Pugh, Jr.
Chair, Hyde County Board of Commissioners